

CAREER TECHNICAL TRAINING AREA

Carpentry



Do You Like ...

- ... working with your hands?
- ... organization and detail?
- ... using basic math skills?
- ... building things?

If so, you may be a good candidate for Job Corps' **Carpentry** career training program.

SKILLS

Learn how to perform the essential tasks of a carpenter, including:

- » Measuring materials or distances to lay out work.
- » Properly using hand and power tools to shape or cut materials to specified measurements.
- » Building rough wooden structures such as concrete forms, scaffolds, and temporary frame shelters according to sketches, blueprints, or oral instructions.
- » Constructing, installing, and repairing structures and fixtures of wood, plywood, and wallboard.
- » Following established safety rules and regulations and maintaining a safe and clean environment.

EXPECTATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

While on the job, you will be expected to display the following traits at all times:

- » Physical strength
- » Attention to detail
- » Integrity and dependability
- » Problem-solving

And you will need to meet a few basic requirements in order to be hired as a carpenter, including having:

- » Strong math and reading skills
- » A high school diploma or the equivalent
- » Completion of the core curriculum and passing scores on all written and performance tests

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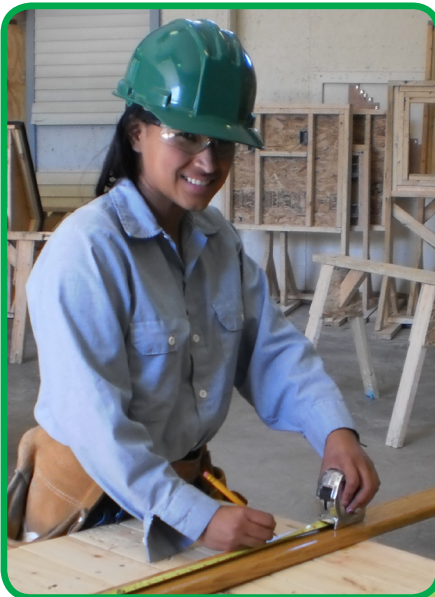


CREDENTIALS

As a Job Corps student, you can earn credentials in your training area that demonstrate you have **gained the knowledge and skills** to help you **succeed in your career**. Credentials may lead to greater employment opportunities, higher wages, and promotions.

Students who complete a center-based Construction training area can earn **nationally recognized credentials** from organizations such as the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

Students training in union-affiliated and national-contracted programs, such as the United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC), International Masonry Institute (IMI), International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE), International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT), National Plastering Industry Joint Apprenticeship Trust Fund (NPIJATF), Home Builders Institute (HBI), Transportation Communications Union (TCU), and United Auto Workers (UAW), can earn a pre-apprentice certificate of completion that offers registered apprenticeship opportunities and on-the-job experience.



CAREER OPTIONS

Most **Carpentry graduates go on to work as carpenters** in the public or private sector. Carpentry is a physically demanding industry, and carpenters must always be focused and aware of their surroundings to ensure safety for themselves and those around them.

SALARY

The average starting salary for most carpenters is **\$42,000/year**.

*For additional salary information and career path options in this field, visit www.mynextmove.org.



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